



# West Virginia Senate

## Committee on Government Organization

Minutes for MARCH 18, 2021, 2:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on Government Organization met on March 18, 2021, 2:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Maynard, Swope, Maroney, Martin, Nelson, Smith, Sypolt, Woodrum, Caputo, Ihlenfeld, Jeffries, Lindsay, Woelfel

Members absent: Senator Stover

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Swope, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

### **S.B. 436** - Relating generally to solid waste facilities

Jeff Johnson, Senate Finance Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. Senator Swope moved to report S.B. 436 to the full Senate and requested unanimous consent to withdraw his motion. No objection was heard, and the motion was withdrawn. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, was put, and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 436 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

### **H.B. 2007** – Provide for occupational licenses or other authorization to practice by recognition for qualified applicants from other states

Chairman Maynard resumed discussion of H.B. 2007. Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, the strike and insert amendment, as amended, was adopted. With leave of the committee, Lesley Rosier-Tabor, Executive Director, WV State Board of Registered Professional Engineers, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maynard, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.) With leave of the committee, Mike Clowser, Executive Director, Contractor's Association of WV, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maynard, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.) With leave of the committee, Sefton Stewart, Chairman, WV State Board of Surveyors, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Maynard, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.) On motion of Senator Swope, H.B. 2007 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### **S.B. 487** – Updating Division of Purchasing procurement and spending thresholds

Phillip Childs, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, was put, and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 487 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**S.B. 577 – Exempting certain fire departments from licensure requirements for providing rapid response services**

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, S.B. 577 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**H.B. 2621 – Mandating certification for certain members of fire departments, require certain types of training, allow specialized personnel who are not firefighters to be members of a department, and require the postings of fire department evaluations**

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, H.B. 2621 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**S.B. 486 – Relating to powers and duties of Chief Technology Officer**

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the bill and responded to questions. On motion of Senator Swope, S.B. 486 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

**S.B. 587 – Making contract consummation with state more efficient**

Carl Fletcher, Committee Counsel, explained the purpose of the committee substitute and responded to questions. The question on agreeing to the committee substitute, was put, and adopted. On motion of Senator Swope, the committee substitute for S.B. 587 was reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass; but under the original double committee reference first be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On Motion of Senator Swope the committee adjourned.



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Mark R. Maynard, Chair



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Isabel Kinnison, Analyst/Clerk



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Testimony taken this 18 day of March, 2021, in  
the Senate Committee on Government Organization.

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be  
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God."

Lestey L. Rosier-Tabor

Print Witness Name

Lestey Rosier-Tabor

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Mark R. Maynard

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Mike Clawson

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